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Sir:

Enclosed herewith are the necessary papers for filing the following application for Letters Patent:

Applicant : DIETER BÄCKER ET AL.

Title : BELT DRIVE

3 sheets of formal drawings in triplicate.

A check in the amount of \$ 710.00 covering the filing fee.

Claim for Priority. Certified copy of the corresponding foreign patent application No. 100 05 633.4 filed February 9, 2000.

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